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"Let reverence for laws be breathed by every American mother to the lisping babe that prattles on her lap; let it be taught in schools, in seminaries and colleges; let it be written in primers, spelling books and almanacs; let it be preached from the pulpit, proclaimed in legislative halls, and enforced in courts of justice. And in short, let it become the political religion of the nation; and let the old and the young, the rich and the poor, the grave and the gay of all sexes and tongues and colors and conditions, sacrifice unceasingly upon its altars."

Weather forecast for South Carolina: Fair Friday and Saturday.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29, 1915.

Have you planned your decorations for the fair?

And are your exhibits in readiness for the opening day?

Sow grain and cover crops while the weather is favorable.

Everybody is happy over the prospect of another successful county fair.

Read the advertisements in The Lancaster News. It will save you money.

A good old-fashioned welcome awaits every fair week visitor to Lancaster.

If you raised ten head of hogs the past year, double the number for next year.

Bring something to put on exhibition at the fair, even if it is nothing but a big turnip or a pumpkin.

Lancaster county is in the best shape it has ever been. Let's make conditions even better another year.

Everybody is coming to the county fair next week. Remember the days, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

The 1915 state fair has passed into history but our own county fair will be the center of interest during the coming week.

If you have not already entered The News' contest for one of the prizes you had better do so. There is yet time enough.

Friday, one week from today, will be School Day at our county fair and we believe the children can learn something if they are here.

The 28-page Booster edition of The Johnston Times is a very creditable issue, upon which the editor, Mr. J. Rutledge McGhee, is to be congratulated.

The street sweeper has arrived in time to take part in the observance of "Clean-Up Week," which we hope has enlisted the efforts of all good citizens. The sweeper is being tested and if it succeeds in making "a clean sweep" of Main street it will be worth many times the purchase price.

"Make your farm look like somebody lives on it," urges Tait Butler in The Progressive Farmer. This is good advice. In many cases a fresh coat of paint would accomplish the desired end or a new fence. Many of our farm homes could be made much more attractive at comparatively small cost.

The big special edition of The Columbia Record is a notable achievement in South Carolina journalism. All of the enterprising towns of the state were represented but none claimed more space than Lancaster to which good town three pages and a half are given.

We again remind our farmers of the importance of sowing grain and cover crops. Now is the accepted time. Don't wait until it is everlasting too late. The rains of winter are liable to set in at any time, making the ground too wet to plow and the freezing weather will destroy the crop if planted late. Take time by the forelock and "Do It Now."

WHERE WILL IT END?

About the best criticism of the conditions in Charleston, which brought about the deplorable tragedy recently in that city, was made by Rabbi Loeb at the funeral of Sidney Cohen, the young reporter who was killed. Said he:

"The whole community is accountable. Let then our citizenship be awakened to a sense of civic duty and righteousness. Let evil passions be curbed and bitter feelings of animosity give way to a united effort for progress and peaceful endeavor. Let there be a reconciliation among the factions. Let the martyrdom of that innocent soul in our midst be a means of atonement and purification for the entire community."

Which leads The Greenville Piedmont to add:

"Many a man will say 'Amen!' to those sentiments and yet not apply them to himself. In a sense, is not every community responsible for the evil it permits in its midst and the crime that arises therefrom? Is not the man in Greenville, for instance, who has never gone into the Ape Yard and who would not go into a place with such a reputation, responsible for its continued existence and for the homicide that recently occurred there? We should occasionally search ourselves with such questions and attempt to be frankly honest in our answers."

"The very term 'civic righteousness' implies a necessity for more than personal rectitude and good conduct. Is a man righteous in a civic way whose whole active influence and support is not given to men and measures giving promise of better conditions in the community as a whole?"

We wish to emphasize the matter of community responsibility for the evils that exist therein. As The Piedmont asks, "In a sense, is not every community responsible for the evil it permits in its midst and the crime that arises therefrom?" There should be a real searching of hearts all over South Carolina in this matter. Who can deny that crime is on the increase? Right here in Lancaster county we have it. At the last term of the court eight or nine homicide cases were tried, not to say anything of the many cases of assault with deadly weapons. And since the adjournment of court blood has still flowed freely. Men and brethren, it is a truly a time for serious thought on the part of our people. If such a reign of lawlessness is to go on unchecked, where will it all end?

CROWN THE ROADS.

The Charlotte Observer says that circus day in that city brought together the greatest aggregation of automobiles ever seen there and possibly the greatest ever known in the Old North State. The Observer further adds that "it was an easy matter to spot the machines from South Carolina by the mud on the wheels and the splashed up bodies, thereby carrying the bad advertisement of bad roads."

Such is a fact and we cannot get away from it until we put our roads in good condition, and in this connection we have a suggestion to make to the supervisor of the public roads and that is to suspend operations for awhile in permanent road work and devote a few weeks to getting all of the roads in the county in fairly good condition for the winter—that is by crowning them and ditching them on either side. In conversation with one of the most level-headed men in the county recently, he said this was one thing that was being neglected. To our mind very few of the county roads are properly crowned, and it would take comparatively little time and cost little to reshape the roads so that when the winter rains begin to pour down the water would drain into the ditches on either side instead of settling in the center of the road to be churned by horses and vehicles into a loblolly, rendering them almost impassable. We urge upon the county officials to begin, while it is time, to reshape all of the public thoroughfares of the county in order that they may be passable during the coming winter.

The Greenwood Index, one of the best papers in the state, thus speaks of Hon. Thomas F. McDow, who is presiding at the fall term of the court at that place: "Greenwood county is fortunate in having as presiding judge at this term of court so good a lawyer and estimable a citizen as Hon. Thomas F. McDow of York. Judge McDow has made a splendid impression here and the opinion is that it would be a fortunate thing for the state if he were given a permanent seat on the circuit bench." To all of which we say Amen!

Governor Manning deserves the confidence of all classes of South Carolinians, for he is administering the office in the interest of all the people.

THE RED ROSE COUNTY.

Mr. J. K. Connors, The State's Lancaster correspondent, tells in that paper of Sunday's issue, of the progress we are making:

Lancaster, like almost every other place, experienced the financial and industrial depression incident to the chaotic conditions following the outbreak of the European war. Everybody for the time being seemed paralyzed with fear, business began to totter with uncertainty and prosperity looked afar off, and yet in spite of all this, facts in the case in so far as Lancaster is concerned abundantly show that not only the little city of Lancaster but the whole Red Rose County as well has made vastly more permanent improvements during the past year and has achieved far greater agricultural and industrial results which make for the prosperity of the people than in any previous years of her history. During the past year the town and county have spent several hundred thousand dollars permanently improving all the roads and highways throughout the county. All the principal streets and sidewalks of the town of Lancaster have been paved and the whole of Main street from the court house square to the Southern depot has just been paved with sheet asphalt. A beautiful "white way" adorns the entire length of this street and the whole presents an exceedingly prosperous looking and city-like appearance. The county roads in every section have been greatly improved. Modern machinery for road building has been recently purchased by the county and used to fine advantage in the construction of new highways and the repairing of old roads, and it is said that numbers of farmers in different parts of the county who on account of bad routes of travel to Lancaster formerly did the bulk of their business in other towns more easily reached, are now doing all their trading in Lancaster and bringing their country produce to this market. Lancaster has made substantial progress and constructive improvements in almost every field of endeavor during the past year or so and is now about to begin the enjoyment of a season of well-earned prosperity unprecedented in her history. It is said. Comparatively a very small amount of cotton was planted in the county this year. The farmers, at least apparently, have learned the lesson of rotation and diversification of their crops, and having learned that they can live profitably upon their own lands and raise at home practically everything which they have been paying too exorbitant prices to get from elsewhere, they are now making practical application of these lessons of wisdom and economy, and prosperity seems not far off from the whole people. Splendid educational progress and prosperity are in evidence on every hand and facts and figures easily obtained upon application to the office of Superintendent of Education Lingle will show that during the past 18 months vastly more substantial gains and improvements along this line have been made all over the county than in any previous several years of the county's educational history. It is said by business men of this place and by others as well who have carefully watched the growth and development of the industrial life and natural resources of the county generally and of the town of Lancaster in particular that Lancaster county during the past few years has made wonderful progress in every single line of endeavor and industrial activity, and that now this county stands second to none in the state in its well earned prosperity and industrial achievements. Recent reports from each of the county's six banking institutions show indisputable evidence of Lancaster's financial strength and prosperity. The oldest of these is the Bank of Lancaster, which has completed over a quarter century's service to the people of this community and the county. Perhaps no one thing has performed so great a part in forwarding the growth and development of Lancaster and the county at large as Lancaster's mammoth and magnificent cotton mills, which are located on the east bank of Bear creek, just beyond the city limit. A million dollar annex to the already large mill is of comparatively recent construction and with all this in successful daily operation Lancaster now boasts of the largest cotton manufacturing plant in the South, if not in the world. The mill operates more than 3,000 looms and more than 120,000 spindles. An exceedingly live enterprise which has greatly helped and pushed forward the town and county's industrial development and progress and has helped to bring about improvements of every kind is The Lancaster News, one of the most progressive and up-to-date newspapers in South Carolina. Both by strong and persistent editorial writing and otherwise The News has been wonderfully instrumental in shaping the industrial development of Lancaster county. This paper is edited by Miss Juanita Wyllie. Much building has been going on in Lancaster during the past year. Twelve new brick stores have been constructed here. A number of new residences have been built in and near town; any number of modern school houses in almost every section of the county have gone up, and other improvements are constantly going on in Lancaster. At this writing there is being erected on South Main street a magnificent new home, which when completed, it is said, will cost between \$12,000 and \$15,000, and will be a beautiful residence. This is to be the home of Marion S. Witherspoon.

Under the guidance and management of Secretary Ellison Lancaster is now industrially engaged in making substantial preparations for the county's second annual fair, to be held here November 4, 5 and 6.

GREGORY-EASTERBY.

Miss Estelle Gregory Married in Greenville.

Of interest here, where she was born and reared and for many years was a popular resident, making her home with her uncle, Mr. W. T. Gregory, will be the following account from The Greenville Piedmont of the marriage of Miss Estelle Gregory to Mr. Ernest Easterby of Laurens:

"The pretties October wedding which has taken place in the city was that of Miss Estelle Gregory to Mr. Ernest D. Easterby of Laurens, which occurred Thursday evening at 7 o'clock at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. DuPont Guerry, on Lavinia avenue.

"The house was tastefully decorated throughout with potted plants and cut flowers. The ceremony room was especially attractive in draperies of tulle, smilax and sweet peas, the regulation color scheme of green and white being carried out. White sweet peas suspended by tulle streamers in the center of the room formed a lovely shower under which the bride and party stood.

"First came the little ring-bearer, Master DuPont Guerry, nephew of the bride, who wore a lively little white silk suit and carried the ring on a silvery tray. Then followed the maid of honor, Miss Rosa Snowden of Spartanburg, who was lovely in pink crepe de chine trimmed in net and carried a handsome bouquet of pink Killarney roses. The bride then entered with her brother, Mr. Jack Gregory of Darlington, and was met by the groom with his best man, Mr. Douglas Gray of Laurens. The ceremony was performed by Dr. E. M. Poter in a beautiful and impressive manner.

"The bride's natural loveliness was enhanced by her handsome wedding gown of ivory satin trimmed in flax lace and made with long court train. Her veil, worn from a bandeau of orange blossoms, fell in the end of the train, and she carried a beautiful cascade bouquet formed entirely of lilies of the valley.

"Immediately after the ceremony a brilliant reception was held. The guests were received at the door by Mrs. Louise Mayes and Mrs. E. J. Gage and passed to the receiving line, which was composed of Mr. and Mrs. Guerry, the bride and groom, Miss Snowden, Mr. Gregory, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Gray of Laurens, Mrs. Charles Lively, Mr. and Mrs. George Snowden of Spartanburg, Mrs. D. E. McCuen and Mrs. Easterby of Laurens.

Good Advice for Lancaster.

A welcome for new citizens is the proper thing. Every man and woman and child coming to a town ought to be given a cordial welcome in some semi-official way. It is not only the duty of the individual coming in contact with the new comers to extend a welcome and make them feel at home and among friends, but in a more formal way they should be made to know that Salisbury bids them welcome and wishes them the fullest measure of success. How one gets started in a new home has much to do with the future. It is quite the proper thing to meet and welcome new citizens into the community, and having done this treat them from day to day as though we appreciate their coming and wish them well.—Salisbury Post.

RUPTURE EXPERT HERE

Seeley, Patronized by U. S. Army and Navy, Called to Rock Hill.

F. H. Seeley of Chicago and Philadelphia, the noted truss expert, will be at the Carolina Hotel and will remain in Rock Hill Saturday only, November 6th. Mr. Seeley says: "The Spermatic Shield as now used and approved by the United States Government will not only retain any case of rupture perfectly, affording immediate and complete relief, but closes the opening in 10 days on the average case. This instrument received the only award in England and in Spain, producing results without surgery, injections, medical treatments or prescriptions. Mr. Seeley has documents from the United States Government, Washington, D. C., for inspection. All charity cases without charge, or if any interested call he will be glad to show same without charge or fit them if desired. Business demands prevent stopping at any other place in this section.

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Second Childhood.

A New York man, 101 years old, has just registered in order to vote for woman suffrage. Yep; second childhood.—Anderson Mail.

South Carolina Has Few Such.

Try as hard as you may and yet one can not help judging a town by its newspaper. A local newspaper is apt to represent the predominating sentiment of the community, and this being true there are certain towns whose newspapers come to this office, that are to be pitied if not censured for what their newspapers stand for.—Washington (Ga.) Reporter.

They Are Hopeless.

Even yet, there are some so prejudiced as to argue that Governor Manning displayed poor judgment in sending the troops to Charleston.—Greenwood Journal.

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